

COMMITTEE: Oneida County Fair Planning Team

PLACE: Curran Professional Park – Basement Conference Room, 315 S. Oneida Avenue, Rhinelander

DATE: Wednesday, October 12, 2011 **TIME:** 5:30 p.m.

MINUTES:

1. **Call to order and President's announcements**. The meeting was called to order by President Craig Mandli at 5:40 pm. It was properly noticed and the facility is handicap accessible. There were no announcements made at this time.

2. **Committee Members Present**: Tina Werres, Craig Mandli, Mark Pelletier, Nancy Gehrig, Sue Glentz, Jim Perlberg, Tom Peterson, Theresa Seabloom, Jenny Zier

Excused: Leroy Eades, Michelle Wich
Absent: Denise Rheaume-Brand. Eric Britton

Others present: Debbie Wich, Neil Moore, Jim Winkler

- 3. **Approve agenda for today's meeting**. Jenny Zier made the motion to approve the agenda with the order of agenda items at the discretion of the President. It was seconded by Jim Perlberg. All ayes; motion carried.
- 4. **Accept resignation**. Craig Mandli read the resignation letter from 2011 Fair Secretary Melanie Ostermann. Jenny Zier made the motion to accept the resignation. The motion was seconded by Jim Perlberg. All ayes; motion carried.
- 5. **Approve minutes of 8/31/2011**. Jim Perlberg made the motion to approve the minutes of 8/31/2011. The motion was seconded by Jenny Zier. All ayes; motion carried.
- 6. Administrative Reports
 - a. **Financial Reports**. A copy of the Expense Report was provided; totaling \$3,937.71. Jenny Zier made the motion to approve the expenses. Nancy Gehrig seconded the motion. All ayes; motion passed.
 - b. **Additional Expenses**. An additional invoice was presented by Tina Werres from FMB for T-shirts. Jenny Zier made the motion to add the invoice to the Expense Report. Nancy Gehrig seconded the motion All ayes; motion passed.
- 7. **Correspondence**. No correspondence was presented.
- 8. **Committee membership status**. All committee members present at the meeting verbally or in writing agreed to continue in the upcoming year.
- 9. **Committee recruitment efforts**. There are currently two openings on the committee. Julie Holperin has filled out an application. Two volunteers at the Gazebo expressed an interest in serving on the committee. Their contact information has been given to Tina Werres.

- 10. **District meeting report**. The meeting was not attended by a representative from Oneida County. Tina Werres will obtain a report from the district.
- 11. **State Convention**. Tina Werres gave a reminder about the state convention scheduled for January 8-11, 2012. Debbie Wich will attend with the Fairest of the Fair; however, they are waiting for funding.

12. Team Leader Reports

Debbie Wich is the new chairman of the Fairest of the Fair Team. She is holding meetings and making plans for the upcoming year. She announced the basket theme for the state convention will once again be tourism and needs items from local businesses.

Neil Moore was in charge of overnight security, supervising 6 people per night. He reported the feedback he received was good.

Jim Winkler's team intends to purchase a new 30 x 60' tent that has 4-H and Oneida County Fair emblems affixed to the top and wants to store the new tent in the shed. He indicated that this will free up the old tent for the fair to use; however, there are leaks, holes, and ripped walls on the old tent. Jim also reported that 4-H will still need the existing small tents. Jim's volunteers would like a stamp or some way to prevent being counted multiple times when entering and existing the fair.

- 13. **Monthly Newsletter**. Tina Werres reported that Kim Swisher will be sending out a monthly enewsletter. Team Leaders will need to write and submit a monthly comment about their area or task and its progress, plans, or needs, etc. to Tina and Kim for inclusion in e-newsletter.
- 14. **Email address update**. Committee members are asked to use the following email addresses to contact Tina Werres: OneidaCountyFair@gmail.com for fair business and t werres@charter.net or tzelda48@gmail.com for personal messages.
- 15. **Dates(s) of future meetings**. A consensus of members indicated that Thursdays are the best day to meet. The fair committee will hold the next meeting on Thursday, November 3rd at 5:30 pm at the Curran Professional Building.
- 16. **Public comment (3 minute limit)**. Neil Moore suggested the fair buy property instead of using tents at Pioneer Park. This led to a discussion about many fair items and possibilities. It was brought up that a different sound system currently in storage at the Curran Building be used at next year's fair.
- 17. **Adjournment**. Jenny Zier made the motion to adjourn the meeting. Nancy Gehrig seconded the motion. All ayes; motion carried.

Respectfully submitted, Sue Glentz Secretary Protem